

2012 Indiana



About the Competition...

The National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation has once again partnered with the Indiana Arts Commission to support **2012 Poetry Out Loud**, a **FREE** high school program which encourages the nation's youth to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. This exciting program helps high school students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, learn about their literary heritage, and compete for college scholarship funding.

"How do I get my students involved?"...

In order to compete, schools must register through the contact listed below. All materials and resources will be provided. Competitions will first be implemented in fall 2011 at the school or classroom level to identify one student winner to represent their school at the regional finals. The state final competition will be held in late February 2011 to determine the state winner representing Indiana at the National Finals in Washington DC.

Each winner at the state level will receive:

- A \$200 cash prize and an all expense paid trip to Washington DC
- \$500 for their school to purchase books
- An opportunity to compete at the National Finals for college scholarship funds



For more information or to register your school, please contact Susan Britsch at sbritsch@iac.IN.gov or (317) 232-1281 or visit www.poetryoutloud.org